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**Tosaly’s ‘Kamaria’ Heels a True Statement Shoe**

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Every now and then it’s good to shake up that shoe collection and bring in a new fierce and fabulous pair that’ll elicit shock, awe and envy from all who gaze upon them. Now taking center stage as my favorite “it” footwear is [Tosaly’s “Kamaria](http://www.tosaly.com/shoes/kamaria.html)” heel. Conceived by the “well-heeled” luxury British designer, Toyin Salami, the Kamaria is a tried-and-true statement shoe handmade by master artisans using modern techniques, fine Italian leather and traditional British craftsmanship—as are all haute Tosaly shoes and handbags.   
  
The heeled Kamaria sandal, priced at $737.55 (varying with the current Euro exchange rate), is sophisticated yet sexy and highly versatile, working with everything from evening wear to jeans. The shoe is predominantly comprised of a stunning midnight black suede leather that’s accented with a serpentine-esque accent of black snake print patent leather that gives it just the right amount of edge. shoe laces slither up the entire outer topside of the beautifully laser cut opening, from the toes all the way up to the ankle, in a crisscross pattern that makes the contrasting exposed skin part of the aesthetic. All of this fabulosity is perched atop an elegant, slim heel just over 5.6 inches high.   
  
As with all Tosaly shoes, the sole of the Kamaria heels features the brand’s signature black and white checkerboard leather that serves as a distinctive and instantly recognizable trademark. This attention-getting patterned sole is specially made in Spain from leather that’s painted in bright, glossy black and white checkered squares, which further enhances the uniqueness and visual appeal of the footwear. And, while the Tosaly heels are certainly killer, they are quite forgiving on the feet since they are well-padded and lightweight. Toyin describes her collective shoe designs as “classic with a twist',” which the Kamaria heels certainly are.  
  
So totally “in” is Tosaly, the shoe line is garnering attention from major celebrities. Rihanna has reportedly taken a bold liking to the company’s “Isabis” heels. In colorful contrast to the all-black Kamaria, Tosaly’s Isabis heel is beautifully outlined with blue damask, also featuring a patent pink leather trim and a gold buckle. They would definitely rock the red carpet…or your own night out on the town. As well, Beyonce and actress Lupita Nyong'o both reportedly own Tosaly Masterpiece Totes.  
  
Toyin founded Tosaly in 2012 with the idea of cultivating a brand that highlights individuality and female empowerment. And by my measure she’s hitting the mark. If you’re a style-seeker who likes to play it safe, this line is *not* for you. Tosaly’s Kamaria and other shoe styles are for confident, fashion-forward women who are not afraid to stand out from the crowd. In fact, they prefer to. Guilty, party of one.  
  
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